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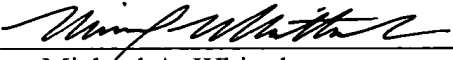
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In response to the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2000 ("Paper No. 9"),  
please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1, 55-84, 97-101, and 107-113 without prejudice to their  
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